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IN THE UNITED SADE PES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Toshio HIRANO, et al.

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SERIAL NO: 09/828,217

EXAMINER: P.M. MERTZ

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April 9, 2001

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated May 29, 2003

The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 was filed for months.
- ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
- A Petition for Extension of Time for filing the Notice of Appeal is attached.

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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- A check is Enclosed
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- ☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. <u>15-0030</u> (an additional copy of this notice is enclosed herewith).
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- If this notice is not considered timely filed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this Notice is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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